

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: itsa00581

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1900046.001

Medium: Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Waitakere District Court

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 28 February 2019

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: No notice of decision has been issued

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image file is deemed to be objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The image shows two younger teenage boys engaged in sexual activity. The image is clearly intended to appeal to adults who have a sexual interest in young adolescent boys. The availability of such material encourages the creation or reinforcement of this sexual interest by presenting young persons as appropriate subjects for adult sexual gratification. The classification of the publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.